



CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

March 26, 2012

SPECIAL MEETING, Miller Creek Conference Room, 3rd Floor

For the purpose of holding an Executive Session to discuss litigation & real estate acquisition

6:15 p.m.

and

STUDY SESSION, Chambers, 1st Floor

7:00 p.m.

400 SW 152nd Street

Burien, Washington 98166

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- Watch the video-stream available on the City website, www.burienwa.gov
- Check out a DVD of the Council Meeting from the Burien Library

SPECIAL MEETING

Deputy Mayor Clark called the Special Meeting of the Burien City Council to order at 6:15 p.m. for the purpose holding an Executive Session to discuss litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and real estate acquisition per RCW 42.30.110(1)(b).

Present: Deputy Mayor Rose Clark, Councilmembers Jack Block, Jr., Lucy Krakowiak, and Joan McGilton. Mayor Brian Bennett, Councilmembers Bob Edgar and Gerald F. Robison were excused.

Administrative staff present: Mike Martin, City Manager, Craig Knutson, City Attorney, and Dan Trimble, Economic Development Manager.

No action was taken.

The Special Meeting adjourned to the Regular Meeting at 6:50 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Clark called the Meeting of the Burien City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Deputy Mayor Clark led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Deputy Mayor Rose Clark, Councilmembers Jack Block, Jr., Bob Edgar, Lucy Krakowiak, Joan McGilton and Gerald F. Robison. Mayor Brian Bennett was excused.

Administrative staff present: Mike Martin, City Manager; Craig Knutson, City Attorney; Nhan Nguyen, Management Analyst; Kim Krause, Finance Director and Monica Lusk, City Clerk.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Protocol for Study Sessions

Direction/Action

Councilmembers agreed that the Study Sessions will be televised, the public will be invited to comment after the Council discusses a topic with the Chair controlling the amount of time; the public will use the wireless microphones instead of the lectern; chairs for the audience will be placed closer to the dais; the meetings will last no longer than two hours; Councilmembers will raise their hands to speak instead of using the queuing system; staff will be present to speak to the topics; the list of topics will evolve and be included in the meeting packet; and, topics for the next Study Session will be selected at the end of each session.

Follow-up

Staff will provide the facilitator's notes from Council retreat, schedule a discussion on Liquor and B&O Taxes for April 23, and look at providing reading and background material two weeks prior to meeting.

Discussion on Kids and Cops Initiative

Follow-up

Staff will provide: a breakdown for electrical, gas and telephone usage for business vs. residential; tax rates for the cities of Federal Way, Pasco, Richland, Kennewick, Toppenish, Pullman and Grandview; and more funding options.

Ken Baker, 143 SW 153rd Street, Burien

Mr. Baker stated that the money would not reach those children that do not make it to school. He suggested having programs outside of school. He stated that the money should go to schools outside of Burien; he lives in Burien but his children attend school at Hill Top Elementary School.

Goodspaceguy, 10219 9th Avenue South, Seattle

Mr. Goodspaceguy stated big government reduces the living standard of the people by taxing money out of the private sector and putting it in the government sector where it often gets wasted. He suggested hiring helpers for the police department.

Quinton Thompson, 179 South 182nd Street, Burien

Deputy Mayor Clark summarizing Mr. Thompson's written statement noted a fundraising option, a communications center for the City, volunteering for the City, youth and drug kids in the community, and the city of Burien ceasing to have a Police Department.

ADJOURNMENT

Direction/Action

MOTION was made by Councilmember Block, seconded by Councilmember Robison and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

/s/ Rose Clark, Deputy Mayor

/s/ Monica Lusk, City Clerk